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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Jesper Vind

Application No.: 09/426,038

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Filed: October 25, 1999

Examiner: P. Ponnaluri

For: Methods Of Constructing And Screening A DNA Library Of Interest In Filamentous Fungal Cells

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed November 7, 2000 that made restriction and election of species requirements.

In response to these requirements, Applicants hereby elect with traverse Group I (i.e., claims 1-21). Applicants also elect the following species:

- a. replication initiating sequence: SEQ ID NO:1,
- b. polynucleotide sequences prepared by random mutagenesis,
- c. polynucleotide sequences that encode a polypeptide,
- d. polypeptides are enzymes,
- e. enzymes are hydrolases,
- f. hydrolases are proteases,
- g. control sequence is a promoter,
- h. promoter is TAKA-amylase promoter,
- i. selectable marker provides biocide resistance,
- j. no election necessary,
- k. pyrG,
- l. replication initiating sequence of group a),

m. SEQ ID NO:1,

n. modification is performed by DNA shuffling, and

o. fungal cell is *Aspergillus*.

Applicants hereby reserve the right to file continuing applications directed to the nonelected subject matter.

The Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if there are any questions concerning this response or application.

Date: December 6, 2000

Respectfully submitted,



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